

REMARKS


In the Office Action, claims 2 and 15 were each indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form, and applicant has amended claims 2 and 15 accordingly. Applicant has amended claim 3 to correct a typographical error. Therefore, claim 2 and 15 and their respective dependent claims 3-9 and 16-21 are now allowable.

To expedite prosecution, applicant is hereby cancelling claims 1, 10-14 and 22-28 without prejudice to the possibility of re-filing them and/or similar claims in one or more continuation applications.

Claims 29-47 were allowed.

The foregoing demonstrates that claims 2-9 and 15-21 are allowable. Claims 1, 10-14 and 22-28 have been cancelled, and claims 29-47 have been allowed. This application is therefore in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are accordingly respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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